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Preliminary Amendment

Please enter the following amendments, without prejudice, in the above-identified patent application, prior to calculating the filing fee.

In the Abstract

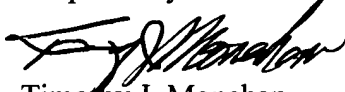
An abstract of the disclosure, corresponding to the Abstract published in International Application No. PCT/EP2004/07940, is identified as Exhibit A, attached hereto.

In the Claims

The amendments to the claims are presented in Exhibit B, attached hereto and entitled "Listing and Amendments to the Claims For Preliminary Amendment".

The claims, as amended, are supported by the application and do not contain new matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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